Resolution No.: 16-636

Introduced:

July 8, 2008

Adopted:

July 8, 2008

COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: County Council

Subject: Petition to the State for a State Grant of \$29,801,000 for the construction of the Science Center project on the Rockville Campus of Montgomery College.

Background

- 1. The General Assembly of Maryland has enacted various community college construction loan acts that provide State funds to assist the counties in financing the costs of acquiring land and constructing public junior, community, or regional community college buildings and facilities, the costs of which were incurred after the effective dates of the acts.
- 2. In the FY2009 Capital Budget for Montgomery College, the Board of Trustees proposed to construct the Science Center project on the Rockville Campus of the College. On May 22, 2008, the County Council approved \$59,602,000 for this project, contingent on the receipt of \$29,801,000 from the State in FY 2009.
- 3. The County Council must file a petition with the Maryland Higher Education Commission to participate in the financial assistance provided in the acts with the Maryland Higher Education Commission. Upon resolution adopted by the Board, the Board requests the County Council to petition the Maryland Higher Education Commission for a grant of \$29,801,000 needed to assist the financing of the public community college project which is described in the application for financial assistance.
- 5. In April 2008, the State General Assembly and the Governor approved the FY2009 State of Maryland Capital Budget, which included \$29,801,000 for the construction of the Science Center project on the Rockville Campus of the College. However, the Board of Public Works must still approve the specific grant and the necessary contracts. Before this approval, the County Council must file a petition to participate in the financial assistance provided in the acts with the Maryland Higher Education Commission. After the Commission receives this petition, the Commission will recommend to the Board of Public works that the Board approve the grant and the contracts.

Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland, approves the following action:

- 1. In accordance with the enactment by the 2008 session of the General Assembly of the FY2009 State of Maryland Capital Budget and approval by the Governor, the County petitions the Maryland Higher Education Commission for a grant of \$29,801,000 from the available funds of the various community college construction loan acts in order to participate in the available financial assistance.
- 2. If the Maryland State Board of Public Works approves a grant of less than fifty percent (50%) of the estimated total cost for the construction of the Science Center project on the Rockville Campus of the College, the College must notify the County Executive and the County Council by requesting an amendment to the College's Capital Improvements Program. The amendment must show the actual project funding schedule proposed and the Council must approve the amendment before the College awards a contract.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MONTGOMERY COLLEGE

Rockville, Maryland

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* PETITION FOR STATE FUNDING

BACKGROUND

On May 22, 2008, the Montgomery County Council appropriated the College's FY2009 Capital Budget including funds for one (1) State-assisted project – the construction for the Rockville Campus Science Center. The County Executive and the County Council have been informed that the College will petition the State for final approval of this project's funding.

The State and County funding levels for the project are outlined below. The FY2009 appropriation for the Science Center project is \$59,602,000 (\$29,801,000 - County and \$29,801,000 - State Aid).

The attached resolution and County Council petition are in the format prescribed by the State and County. In addition, the petition outlines the contingent nature of the Council's approval which requires State approval of the College's projects as part of the FY2009 Bond Bill. With the Board's adoption of this resolution, the request is forwarded to the County Council for action on the State grant petition.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees formally request the County Council to petition the State for the following grant: \$29,801,000 for construction of the Rockville Campus Science Center project.

BACK-UP INFORMATION

Board Resolution
County Council Resolution
Project Description Form

RESOURCE PERSON

Mr. Capp

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MONTGOMERY COLLEGE

Rockville, Maryland

Resolution Number: 08-06-074

Adopted on: 6/16/08

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June 16, 2008

Subject: Proposal to Construct a Public Junior/Community College or Additions Thereto,

Rockville Campus Science Center Project Construction

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of Maryland has enacted various community college construction loan acts that provide State funds to assist the various counties in financing the costs of acquiring land and constructing public junior, community, or regional community college buildings and facilities, the costs of which were incurred after the effective dates of the acts; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Montgomery Community College proposes undertaking certain the construction of the Rockville Science Center project on the Rockville Campus of the College and has determined that the sum of \$29,801,000 in State financial assistance available under the loan acts is needed for this purpose; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of Montgomery Community College requests that the Montgomery County Council approve the proposal to undertake the construction of the Science Center project on the Rockville Campus of the College as set forth in the application for financial assistance; file, as required by the loan acts and contingent on enactment of the FY2009 State of Maryland Capital Budget by the 2008 Session of the General Assembly and its approval by the Governor, the necessary petition with Maryland Higher Education Commission for a State grant in the amount of \$29,801,000, and make available the necessary local funds for completion of the project.

A True Copy.

ATTEST:

Secretary-Treasurer

Board of Trustees of

Montgomery Community College

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